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OO/FR PROSPECTIVE RELOCATION OF STATIONS AND ~~Increased~~ Coverage
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1. The relocation of the West Coast Bureau to Reseda, California, was completed on schedule. Increased coverage of Latin American transmissions will become apparent during June 1948. Reassignment of Far Eastern Short-wave transmissions will be made gradually during the next 12 months.

2. It is expected that the relocation of the Hawaiian Bureau to Okinawa will replace approximately fifty percent of present Far East short-wave coverage with equivalent medium-wave coverage and will provide approximately 50,000 words of additional Far East monitoring, represented by some 5,000 words of textual material, particularly from Manchuria, China, Southeast Asia and India.

Progress Status as of 2 June 1948

a. U. S. Army Engineers are engaged in detailed designing for construction.

b. Activation of new station is anticipated for late 1949.

3. It is expected that relocation of the Mediterranean Bureau to Cyprus will provide coverage of approximately 50,000 additional words from Soviet satellite nations in Eastern Europe, USSR regional transmitters, Iranian stations and India. Textual material cabled to Washington will be approximately doubled, i.e., 15,000 words daily.

Progress Status as of 2 June 1948

a. Site near has been acquired and construction arrangements completed.

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b. Activation anticipated for early 1949, unless earlier emergency operation is required by the situation in Egypt.

4. The relocation of the East Coast Bureau to a site near Fort Washington is not expected to alter materially its coverage range.

Progress Status as of 2 June 1948

a. Site has been acquired by declaration of taking.

b. Activation expected in early 1949.

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